

Update on the Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants (OVSJG) Operating Status during COVID-19 Emergency

What is our operating status?

Along with the rest of District government, our agency remains operational. However, we will be providing all services remotely.

How does this impact what we do?

- **Grant services** no changes. Grant making and administration services will continue; grant managers can be reached via telephone and email.
- Boards, Commissions, Networks, and Working Groups routine meetings supported by OVSJG—such as the Sexual Assault Response Team, the Juvenile Justice Advisory Group, the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board—that are scheduled to meet through the end of the Public Health Emergency will either meet by telephone or video conference or will be rescheduled.

How does this impact our physical locations?

• **The OVSJG office at One Judiciary Square** – is closed for the duration of the Public Health Emergency.

What precautions are we taking to limit the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19)?

Our employees are taking precautions to keep themselves healthy and limit the spread of infections like regularly washing their hands, cleaning facilities more frequently, and reducing close contact with each other and residents. Employees have been asked to let their supervisor know immediately if they feel sick. OVSJG has shifted to virtual services during the duration of the state of emergency to limit close contact among staff and residents.

Where should you go if you have questions?

For questions about any of the services we provide and information on any future changes, please contact us at 202-727-0605 or ovsjg@dc.gov. We will also post any updates to our website at ovsjg@dc.gov. For more information, please visit coronavirus.dc.gov.

